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(By Carl Barkow)

If you were trying to curtail expenses in your business, would you discharge efficient, experienced employees and replace them with inexperienced employees, at the same salary? Of course you wouldn't. But that is just exactly what is being proposed by some politicians in the forthcoming primary and general elections.

The taxpayers have spent a lot of money training the county department heads in the court house. These officials know that the taxpayers are demanding tax reductions (at least no tax increases) and the utmost economy in the operation of the various county offices. Who then can accomplish that purpose best? Officials of proven ability—or inexperienced office-seekers who know little about the jobs they wish to fill?

The new candidates may all be honorable gentlemen, successful in the vocations they propose to quit, and no doubt have a following of friends and political associates—but that doesn't mean they can properly perform the specialized duties required of court house officials. County officials are elected to do a specific job—not just because they are good fellows.

The trend throughout the nation is to keep efficient officials in office, in the interest of economical government. President Roosevelt mentioned this in his fireside chat over the radio Friday evening when he complimented the Congress for putting postmasters under civil service. We have always thought it is the height of foolishness to change postmasters every time we change the administration in Washington. The non-legislative county official should be no more affected by politics than the postmaster. The work of a county department head is similar to that of a postmaster. He is not a legislator. His duties are outlined by the law and public demand. He serves no political party, faction, or group of citizens, but is accountable only to the taxpayers who pay his salary.

If he cannot, or does not, do his work properly, of course he should be removed from office and a more efficient official put in his place. But so long as he does his work well, we can see no reason for making a change, especially when such a change proves costly.

For this reason we believe all non-legislative officials in the Riverside county court house should be retained in office—and we also believe the majority of the voters feel the same way about it. There is no reason why we shouldn't conduct the county's business just as we would our own business, by keeping experienced men on the job.

Court house officials holding positions where experience in their respective offices are important, are Assessor George V. Clayton, Tax Collector C. R. Stibbens, County Clerk Gordon A. Pequegnat (D. G. Clayton is not a candidate, but Mr. Pequegnat has been his chief deputy the past 10 years), Treasurer Joseph F. Reimer, Recorder Jack A. Ross, Auditor Ray T. Hicks, Surveyor A. C. Fulmer, and Coroner Ben F. White.

The other day I heard a prominent taxpayer voice the opinion of many of us when he said: "I have to go to Riverside quite often to transact business with the tax collector and the county clerk, and I have found that Mr. Stibbens and Mr. Pequegnat can instantly give me the service I want. They are thoroughly familiar with every part of the county and every detail of their many

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LOCAL LABOR TROUBLE ENDS; OPEN SHOP CONDITIONS ARE NOW IN EFFECT

Union trouble that has been bothering the local building industry for the past few weeks has subsided this week and everything is comparatively quiet at the present time along the Palm Springs "labor front."

Apparently an open shop condition now exists in the local building industry. Local contractors and material dealers, or at least a majority of them, are now operating on an open shop basis without conflict with the unions. In fact, it is even reported that officials of the Central Labor Council this week stated that they are not demanding a closed shop in the building industry here but only on adjustment of wages, hours, and working conditions.

Outside of an A. F. of L. picket on the highway west of Palm Springs, union activity of the disturbing type does not exist in the village and these A. F. of L. pickets are not objectionable. Placed there to influence truck drivers delivering materials to local yards, the pickets limit their activities to one or two men sitting in a car parked off the highway. On the car is a sign labeled "A. F. of L." The pickets do not attempt to forcefully stop the supply trucks.

Pass Anti-Picketing Ordinance

Another development in the labor situation was the passing by the city council Wednesday night of Ordinance No. 13 (anti-picketing ordinance). "An ordinance concerning the maintenance of public peace and public safety during labor disputes." The ordinance passed unanimously.

J. L. Doss, secretary of the Central Labor Council, appeared before the city council Wednesday night and addressed the council on behalf of the unions. He stated that the unions had no objection to the ordinance and that it was satisfactory. He stated that the unions ask only that its enforcement be without discrimination.

After passing the ordinance as originally written, the city council, in response to the request of Mr. Doss, then passed a resolution ordering the police department to enforce Ordinance No. 13 without discrimination and instructed the city clerk to inform the chief of police of such order.

A considerable amount of building is now going on, undisturbed, in Palm Springs, the majority of the jobs operating on an open shop basis; and peace now prevails on the local "labor front."

City Objects To Proposed Subdivision

At the meeting of the city council held on Wednesday night of this week, that body instructed the city clerk to inform the Riverside County Planning Commission that the city of Palm Springs concurs with the opinion of its city engineer, J. F. Davidson, that a proposed Palm Springs Desert Village Tract subdivision is located on land unfit for residential purposes.

The proposed "Palm Springs Desert Village Tract," surveyed for Maurice J. Silman, Inc., of Los Angeles, adjoins the east city limits of Palm Springs on the Ramon-Edom road. City Engineer Davidson inspected the site of the proposed subdivision and reported that it is subject to overflow.

It is asserted the county planning commission has held up the recording of the plat of this subdivision, pending further investigation.

The city council also objected to the name of the proposed new subdivision. It too closely resembles the name of a popular subdivision already in existence in Palm Springs, namely, the Palm Springs Village Tract.

A news release received this week by The Desert Sun from the publicity office of the Hotel New Weston at New York City states that "Mr. and Mrs. D. Margolius of the Ambassador Apartments, Palm Springs, are guests at the New Weston."

Business Men To Meet Every Wednesday

The Palm Springs Business Men's Association will meet every Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 throughout the summer in the association's office, Room 15 of the Plaza. This was the decision of the directors who met Wednesday afternoon.

The earlier hour was selected so that business men living out of town during the summer would have time to arrive here for the meeting and return to their homes before dark. Wednesday was chosen as the regular meeting day because the city council meets each Wednesday night, and those who wish to attend both meetings could do so by making only one trip a week to Palm Springs.

Wednesday, therefore, is the meeting day in Palm Springs: The Business Men's Association at 1:30, and the city council at 7:30. Twenty members of the association attended this week's meeting.

5 Local Boys Accused of Burglary

Five local boys assertedly broke into the basement at the Village Pharmacy last Saturday evening and took a number of bottles of champagne and ginger ale, only to be apprehended later by local police. The burglary occurred about 7 p. m.

This basement is the stock room for the Village Pharmacy and contains many bottles of expensive perfumes. However, the boys did not touch any of the perfume, but preferred the ginger ale and champagne instead.

It is alleged that the same crew of juveniles had been stealing magazines at night from the newsstand at the Palm Springs Drug Company, but had always managed to evade the police. These magazine thefts had been going on for about two weeks prior to the arrest of the juveniles.

The group of boys are mere youngsters, the ringleader of the crew being only 14 years of age.

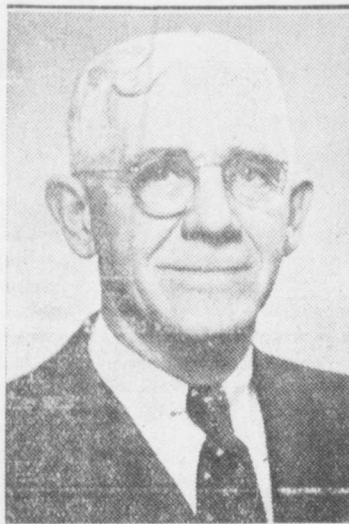
False Rumor Concerning Local Chevrolet Agency

There is a false rumor about town that Moss Brothers have sold the Chevrolet franchise for Palm Springs. This rumor is absolutely untrue and groundless.

The firm did recently sell its franchise to handle Chevrolet and Oldsmobile at Indio, but the status of Moss Brothers Chevrolet at Palm Springs remains unchanged.

Recently C. A. Moss, J. A. Moss and G. D. Moss have become Dodge and Plymouth distributors for Riverside county and are established at Riverside as Moss Motors. They purchased the distributing franchise for Dodge and Plymouth from Gail Ballanger, former distributor.

At Indio Moss Brothers still continue to operate the firm's Union gasoline station there. At Palm Springs they operate as always—the Chevrolet agency and a Gilmore service station. Out of Riverside they operate as Dodge and Plymouth distributors for the county.



C. R. STIBBENS

C. R. Stibbens, Tax Collector Makes Statement to Voters

Asking the voters of the county to return him to office for the seventh time, C. R. Stibbens, Riverside county tax collector and one of the best known county officials in tax work in Southern California, this week formally announced his candidacy for reelection at the August 30 primary election.

The collector's office here is regarded as one of the best operated in the Southland.

It was 26 years ago that Stibbens, then city tax collector of Riverside, was drafted by the county board of supervisors to take the county collector's post. He has been reelected each term since that time. His public service antedates his entry into the county work by several years as he was city clerk of Riverside nine years and city auditor five years. He announced his candidacy for reelection in the following statement:

"Being unable to personally communicate with the people of the county I am taking this opportunity to announce through the medium of the newspapers of the county my candidacy for reelection as county tax collector.

"Voters of the county have reposed their confidence in me at former elections and I am deeply appreciative of this support. I have earnestly tried to fulfill my pledge of honest and efficient administration made to the voters.

"One who has not been in close touch with the work of the tax collector's office has no conception of the tremendous amount of responsibility and hard work there is attached to the office. The collector must prepare and mail 60,000 tax statements each year and take in more than \$4,000,000 in county, city, school and general taxes for all but one small part of the county. Redemptions and sales of delinquent properties have loaded onto the collector's office a vast amount of new duties.

"I am proud of the fact that the successive grand juries, after making thorough inspections and audits of my department, have found nothing in error during the years of my administration.

"If the voters of Riverside county approve of my service to the public, I will appreciate their support for reelection at the August 30 primary election. If elected again to my present office, I will continue to strive to give the residents of the county honest, efficient and courteous service, to which they are fully entitled."

MERRITT WILLIAMS RETURNS FROM TRIP TO CHICAGO

Merritt Williams, assistant postmaster at the Palm Springs postoffice and brother of Councilman John W. Williams, returned this week from his vacation.

Leaving Palm Springs by train, Mr. Williams journeyed to Parsons, Kansas, home of his parents. He spent a week visiting with his parents at Parsons, and then journeyed on to Chicago, where he also visited relatives.

Williams returned through scenic Colorado. He was gone for three weeks.

Mrs. Eber D. Kanaga, Mrs. Helen B. Babcock, and Mrs. Frank S. Roberts, all residents of Palm Springs, drove to Los Angeles last week to see Helen Hayes and company in "Victoria Regina" at the Blithmore Theatre.

City Council Passes Two Important Ordinances

Register Now For Primary Election

Primary election date in California is August 30th. Everyone of voting age, who has been a resident of California for not less than one year and 90 days in the county, should register.

Closing date for August primary registration is July 21st. The local registrar of voters is Orville Richardson, located in the Jack Williams Real Estate office. In the event anyone now a registered voter has moved to another precinct since he last voted, he should again register from his present residence precinct for the coming elections.

\$439.50 Pledged For Salary of Summer Doctor

A total of \$439.50 has been pledged of which \$344.50 has been paid and is now in the bank, to pay the salary of a resident doctor in Palm Springs this summer. The largest subscription, \$100.00, is from Thomas A. O'Donnell.

Doctors James B. Oliver and Jack C. Hill have offered to pay \$50.00 per month toward the doctor's salary and will give the use of their offices and pay all utilities. Attorney Horace Cook has offered a free apartment for the doctor this summer.

Harry Batchelor, chairman of the medical service committee, has communicated with five doctors who are willing to come to Palm Springs for the summer, and one of them will probably be employed next week if sufficient money is subscribed. The doctor is to be guaranteed a definite income, and the fund raised by the local committee is to pay the difference between the doctor's collections and the amount guaranteed.

Judging from the income of a doctor last summer who remained here through the hot months so that Palm Springs would not be without medical service, more money is needed than has so far been subscribed. Anyone willing to donate toward the fund is asked to make his pledge immediately.

Pledges paid in so far are from the following donors:

Thos. A. O'Donnell, Palm Springs Volunteer Fire Department, Myron V. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. John Kline, A. Heber Winder, Austin G. McManus, Floyd Bigley, Herbert Samson, Deep Well Ranch, Philip Boyd, Frank Shannon, Moss Bros. Chief and Mrs. Boller, Hotel the Oasis, Palm Springs Water Co., Smoke Tree Ranch, Harry Batchelor, Anonymous.



Lions Club Notes

Only eight members of the Palm Springs Lions Club attended the unofficial luncheon meeting of that organization held Thursday noon at the Palm Springs Hotel.

The meeting yesterday was the last one of the summer to be held at the Palm Springs Hotel.

President Francis Crocker read a letter from Lion Lloyd Simon, who stated that he had raised some money for the local club's blind fund. Simon also stated in his letter that he had engaged two more fine speakers to address the club during next season.

At a regular weekly Wednesday night meeting the city council this week passed two very important ordinances up for consideration at that time, and the "anti-picketing ordinance" and the "planning commission ordinance" are now Ordinances Nos. 13 and 14 respectively of the City of Palm Springs.

Both ordinances were passed unanimously by the council. Ordinance No. 13, "An ordinance concerning the maintenance of public peace and public safety during labor disputes," and Ordinance No. 14, "An ordinance of the City of Palm Springs creating a city planning commission" will become effective in 30 days. After that time Palm Springs' first planning commission will be appointed.

Doss Addresses Council

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After passing the ordinance as written, the council passed a resolution ordering the police department to enforce Ordinance No. 13 without discrimination. They instructed the city clerk to inform the chief of police of such order.

Ordinances Introduced

Three more ordinances were introduced at the meeting this week. One (No. 15), An ordinance of the city of Palm Springs amending Ordinance No. 8, being the Palm Springs Building Code, adopted June 8, 1938, by amending Sections 2205, 2410, 2909, 3102, 3701, and 4501, and by adding sections 208, 209 and 210; a second (No. 16) "An ordinance of the city of Palm Springs requiring permits for private patrols"; and a third (No. 17) "An ordinance of the city of Palm Springs requiring registration in hotels."

Ordinance No. 15 would amend the uniform building code, principally by changing the specifications for stucco construction and the specifications for the use of cement and lime. It would change the method of constructing chimneys. By the provisions of this ordinance workmen, except night watchmen, would be prohibited from camping on the site of construction; and it further provides that during the winter season, Dec. 1 to May 31, no work will be permitted between the hours of 5 p. m. and 7:30 a. m.

Ordinance No. 16 would require anyone wishing to operate a private padhouse, and hotels to keep a register of any type to obtain a special permit from the city council.

Proposed Ordinance No. 17 would require all lodging houses, rooming

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Huge Truck Turns Over on Detour

A huge refrigerator truck, loaded with lemons and en route from Los Angeles to Denver, turned over on the detour of Owl Wash between Cabazon and Banning at 5:30 yesterday morning. The truck, traveling East, turned over on the left side of the road, and it is thought it may have been traveling too fast to negotiate the turn. The driver, H. A. Dilley of Denver, was uninjured.

WALTER SOMERVILLE TO TOUR NORTHWEST DURING MONTH'S VACATION

Walter Somerville, employe in the local office of the Nevada-California Electric Corporation and a popular member of the Palm Springs Lions Club, will leave tomorrow on a vacation of a month's duration.

Leaving the village he will tour the Northwest in his automobile, later returning to Weott, California, to spend some time with his parents at that city.

8,000 Delegates To Attend Lions Convention

Eight thousand Lion delegates and their families, among them several local delegates, will be guests of the Oakland Lions Club at the twenty-second annual convention of the International Association of Lions Clubs, which will convene there on July 19 for a four-day session.

Once before, back in 1921, Oakland was host to the Lions convention. Since that time the association has grown from 229 clubs with 13,759 members, to over three thousand clubs with 105,000 members, in eight countries of the world.

From war-torn China will come delegates from Tientsin and Tsingtao. Colorful delegations, some in native costume, will come from Mexico, Cuba, Costa Rica, Panama and Colombia. And of course, from all parts of the United States and Canada special trains and caravans will converge in Oakland.

For ten months, the Oakland Lions Club, assisted by other California Lions, have worked and planned to make this the most colorful convention of the year, and one long to be remembered by the visiting Lions. An elaborate schedule of entertainment, interspersing the business sessions of the convention, has been planned, most outstanding of which will be the steamer trip around San Francisco Bay, passing under the famed Bay bridge from San Francisco to Oakland, viewing Alcatraz Island prison, "Treasure Island" site of the 1939 World's Fair, and out under the magnificent Golden Gate bridge into the broad waters of the Pacific ocean.

From Chicago, on July 13, will come the international president's special train, bearing delegates from Wisconsin and Illinois, as well as special groups from Virginia, Maryland, Delaware and the District of Columbia. Headed by Frank V. Birch, international president from Milwaukee, the delegates will take a northerly route, going up through Red Lodge, Yakima and over to Seattle, then down through Portland into Oakland.

From the northeast will come the New England special, bearing delegates from Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont, Connecticut and Rhode Island.

Southern delegates will head across the continent aboard the Alabama Lions special, which leaves Decatur on July 11, for New Orleans, thence via Southern Pacific railroad across Texas into Los Angeles, and up to Oakland.

The Texas Lions special leaves Temple, Texas, on July 16, via the Santa Fe, making a one day stop at the Grand Canyon, then on into Los Angeles, and up to Oakland.

Other special trains will be the Kansas-Oklahoma special, the Indiana Lions all-state band special and the Pittsburgh special.

A number of the Palm Springs Lions Club will attend the international convention at Oakland. They plan to travel via special train from Los Angeles. A few will drive.

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duties. I'm for Stibbens and Pequegnat."

The consensus of opinion seems to be that County Supervisor Robert E. Dillon will be re-elected, and that he should continue in office. Dillon has a good record and he is on the job continuously, giving his full time to the work. His district is about 225 miles long, extending from a point near Riverside to the Colorado river. It takes the full time of a supervisor to properly look after such a large district. Dillon has been a good friend of Palm Springs and the desert area, and for this reason he has strong support here.

The most horrible description that I have ever read of the massacre of Chinese by the invading hordes of Japanese, appeared in the current issue of the Readers' Digest, under the heading, "The Sack of Nanking." Chinese soldiers who had fled to the American University compound and who had surrendered their arms to the Americans, on the assurance they would be safe, were taken from the Americans by the Japanese, tied in compact bundles, 40 or 50 in a group, coal oil and gasoline poured over them, and burned alive; women by the thousands were raped on the streets by Japanese soldiers in broad daylight, and then bayoneted, according to the American writer, who claimed he witnessed the carnage.

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GIANT AQUEDUCT NEARS COMPLETION



Artist's map of Colorado River Aqueduct. (Upper right) Intake pumping plant where aqueduct water is taken from Parker Dam reservoir. Numbers from 1 to 5 indicate location of five giant pumping plants which will lift aqueduct water total height of 1,616 feet across mountain barriers. (Upper left) F. E. Weymouth, General Manager and Chief Engineer of Metropolitan Water District, in charge of constructing water supply system. At lower left is shown location of thirteen District cities, which are Anaheim, Beverly Hills, Burbank, Compton, Fullerton, Glendale, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Pasadena, San Marino, Santa Ana, Santa Monica, Torrance. Entire 392-mile Metropolitan Aqueduct is now more than 85 per cent completed.

More than 85 per cent completed! This, in brief, is the report of progress on the great Metropolitan Aqueduct that assures thirteen Southern California cities an abundant, and everlasting supply of water. The aqueduct, now rapidly being brought to completion, will deliver water from the Colorado River all the way across the state of California to the areas within the Metropolitan Water District.

Following more than five years of continuous construction work, all features of the main line of the aqueduct are now completed except the tunnel under Mt. San Jacinto and the installation of pumping machinery in the five huge pumping plants.

All of the thirteen-mile-long San Jacinto tunnel has been excavated except about one and a half miles. Work on the installation of pumping machinery will be completed early this fall, according to a report made by F. E. Weymouth, General Manager and Chief Engineer of Metropolitan Water District.

With the aqueduct now nearing completion, District officials have pointed out that it will be built and placed in operation at a cost many millions of dollars less than the \$220,000,000 bond issue voted for that purpose. Work on the gigantic water carrier was started in December, 1932. Since that time the building of the aqueduct has given employment to more than 35,000 residents of the Metropolitan Water District, records of the District reveal.

The aqueduct will be able to deliver one thousand million gallons of water daily to the cities in the District. It is scheduled to be completed in 1939.

Ragsdale Relates Suffering of Party Stranded on Desert

A tale as fantastic as the search for the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow is told by Ragsdale, proprietor of Desert Center and president of the U. S. Highway 60 association.

Four aged indigents of Los Angeles, three men and one woman, all over 60 years of age, had been saving money from their meager dole checks for supplies with which to discover "a volcano with chunks of gold hanging just inside its mouth" which was supposed to be located in the Palen mountains, about 40 miles east of Desert Center.

After driving as far as possible toward their goal, the treasure hunters parked the car and continued on foot, though the temperature was about 140 degrees early in June this year.

Two of the old fellows consumed their entire water supply after traveling only 10 miles. The ruthless heat completely overcame one of them and he fell on the sand with horrible cramps, unable to rise. The other attempted to find the car and wandered through the desert all day and that night till, hardly able to drag himself forward he found Desert Center-Blythe highway. He was picked up by a tourist and taken to a hospital.

News of the remaining treasure hunters was given and searching parties were organized. "Desert Steve" Ragsdale, an expert tracker who had lived on the desert for more than 30 years, was called upon to aid the searchers. He had been ill for some time, but realizing the great danger to those on the desert, he volunteered to help.

The searching party followed the car tracks to the car and nearby found a man and a woman, both in very bad condition. They informed the searching party that the other man was ten blocks north, it was finally discovered that they meant ten miles. Continuing the search, Desert Steve, due to his illness, was overcome by the heat and became totally deaf and partially blind. When his comrades became frightened and suggested taking him back to the hospital he refused.

Following the partially obliterated tracks across the burning sand all afternoon they at last sighted a small, weatherbeaten prospectors' shack, within which, naked and unconscious, the missing man was discovered.

Two men were left with the heat stricken man and Steve and one other stumbled back into the hot desert sand to obtain help. They at last found the car and the rest of the searching party. Steve was unable to use his hands or legs so his son Stanley drove back after the sun-struck adventurer. Driving over sand dunes and washes with the bottom of the car dragging hundreds of times they at last reached Desert Center and a hospital.

The next day Steve, refusing to be coddled or petted, pulled up stakes and left the hospital against the doctor's orders.

Return of Indian Delegation From Washington

Stella von Bulow, Luisena Indian woman, known among her people as Pol-ge-no (The Crusader), reported to her people assembled at 601 Western Mutual Life Building, Los Angeles, on her return from Washington, D. C., where she has been since January 21 as delegate for the California Indian Rights Association, and as spokesman for the California Indian Brotherhood, in behalf of recovery for 23,000 of the Indians of California, for the millions of acres of land that were taken from them in the early 50's by the Federal government without compensation.

She reported having succeeded in having the bill, S-1651, that was passed by the Senate last year, amended and recommended out by the Committee on Indian Affairs in the House of Representatives in a manner that was satisfactory to her followers. The bill will give an equal proportionate recovery to both treaty and non-treaty Indians in California, and will amount to approximately \$3,000 for every Indian family in the state.

She gives Hon. Harry R. Sheppard, Congressman from California, especial credit for making a valiant fight in behalf of her people. She also gives the Mission Indian Federation of Southern California credit for working hand in hand with her in the progress that has been made.

While she succeeded in getting the bill on the Union Calendar in the House with the support of nineteen of the twenty Congressmen from California interested in her behalf, with every prospect of being passed when brought onto the floor of the House, it was crowded out by pressing administrative legislation in the wind-up of the present session, but will be at the head of the Union Calendar list next January, where it will receive an early vote.

Congressman Sheppard says Pol-ge-no made an enviable record with Congressmen and Government officials while in Washington, due to her intelligent understanding of all angles of the California Indian claims, Indian legislation and procedure in such matters. She testified for one hour without notes before the Committee on Indian Affairs and convinced all its members of the merits of the California Indians claims. It was quite unusual for the committee to hear a representative of the Indian race speak

Crockett Family Return From Long Motor Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Crockett and daughters, Donna and Merrilyn, returned to the village this week from a three weeks motor trip.

Leaving Palm Springs on their vacation, the Crockett family drove directly to Pima, Arizona, where they visited with Mr. Crockett's parents. Taking in the Petrified Forest and Grand Canyon, they left Arizona to tour Utah.

In Utah the Crocketts visited Zion and Bryce Canyon National Parks and spent some time in Salt Lake City. Then journeying north into Idaho they followed down the Snake river into Oregon.

They enjoyed the trip down the beautiful Columbia River highway to Portland, where they turned the nose of their automobile toward the north and Vancouver, B. C. At Vancouver the homeward journey was commenced.

The trip through the beautiful Redwood highway was enjoyed by the party on the way to San Francisco, at which city they spent two days. While at San Francisco they traversed the Golden Gate Bridge and the San Francisco Bay bridge.

While in San Francisco Mr. Crockett asked his two little daughters what they most would like to see at that city. One answered "China Town" and the other "Alcatraz." At which replies a good laugh was enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. Crockett.

Leaving San Francisco they returned to Los Angeles via U. S. Highway 99, stopping in Los Angeles four days. While at Los Angeles Mr. and Mrs. Crockett attended the Policeman's Ball.

The entire Crockett family plan to spend the summer in Palm Springs.

Miss Genevieve E. Ranger, charming manager of the Village Inn, is vacationing at Saratoga in Santa Clara county.

Impromptu, so fluently and comprehensively on a legislative matter of so much importance, and to convince them on cross-examination of her thorough understanding of the whole subject.

She will be feted in a colorful Indian celebration in her behalf at Table Mountain reservation, near Fresno, on the coming Fourth of July.

TROUBLE
Adam started a lot of trouble in his strange world by eating an apple, but the man ran him a close second who thought of the dollar-down-dollar-a-week idea.—Vista Press.

Announcement

We are happy to announce to the people of Palm Springs and vicinity that we are giving "S.&H." Green Stamps with all cash sales of Gasoline and Oils, Lubrication, Washing, Tires, Tubes, Batteries, Accessories—in fact all services rendered for motorists.

Not only do "S.&H." Green Stamps mean added savings for cash spending—they mean beautiful and practical gifts as well. Over 300 premiums to choose from—all of nationally advertised and well known merchandise.

Visit the Harris Company Store at Redlands (downstairs). See our Premium Display and redeem our merchandise.

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San Jacinto Mt. Resorts Have Much to Offer

Each year Riverside county's San Jacinto mountain reports offer a more extensive and more varied program of recreation, and the last few seasons have seen these popular resorts very much "come into their own" among the outstanding summer playgrounds of Southern California.

Decidedly in line with the growth and development of the San Jacinto mountain area as a famous summer rendezvous for mountain lovers is the extensive and well rounded program of events that resorts there are offering this season to Fourth-of-July vacationists.

In the center of the large advertisement at the left of this article is a program of events covering the three-day, Fourth of July holiday. The program is well rounded, offering to the vacationist breakfast rides, campfires, a dance, two golf tournaments, an amateur swimming meet, a rifle shoot, and a gala gymkhana.

Idyllwild and the San Jacinto mountains offer much to the sportsman and sportswoman. Such sports as swimming, riding, golf, hiking, fishing, bicycling, pack trips, tennis, archery, and rifle target-practice are among the headlines on their sports card.

Gymkhana Program

The big Idyllwild Gymkhana will be the outstanding event at that resort over the Fourth of July holidays. The parade, will start sharply at 1 p. m., and will include such well known mounted organizations as the Riverside county sheriff's posse. The grand entry will be at 1:30, and will be followed by the trophy events.

Trophies for outfits will include: Best silver outfit, the best mounted cowboy, the best mounted boy (14 years or younger), the best English outfit and the best English outfit (14 years or younger).

In the competition for the men's "fastest turning horse" a 50c entry fee will be charged. The entry fee will go to the winner of the event. The same is true in the competition for the "best western horse" and in the "stake turning" event. These are all open events.

Trophies will also be presented to winners in the following: Potato race (14 years or over), musical chairs (14 years or younger), jumpers class (open), and bending race (open).

IDYLLWILD RESIDENT RECEIVES FRACTURE IN FREAK ACCIDENT

Jerry Wood of Curry's Idyllwild is nursing a broken arm as a result of a freak accident.

While hurrying through a darkened hallway, Mr. Wood caught his heel on the top step of the basement stairs and as he pitched forward, unable to free himself, was left hanging downward. His calls for help were not at first located. In the excitement, T. O. Duell, who is to have the Silver King bicycle concession at Idyllwild, lost his balance at the top of the same flight of stairs and fell headlong, striking Mr. Wood in the chest. The force of the blow loosened Mr. Wood's heel and sent both men to the floor of the basement.

Dr. Beggs was called and the two men were assisted into the lobby of the Inn. Mr. Duell was found to be only scratched and bruised, but Mr. Wood's forearm was broken in several places.

RANGER ANNOUNCES FIREWORKS WILL BE BANNED IN FORESTS

Warning is issued by District Ranger Richard May of Idyllwild ranger station that no fireworks will be permitted in the San Jacinto mountains this summer.

Checks will be made at highway ranger stations to enforce this ruling, which will receive special attention over the Fourth of July week-end, Mr. May declared.

FOUR MEN ASSIGNED TO FOREST STATION

Four men, all residents of the Hemet-San Jacinto Valley, have been placed at Vista Grande by District Ranger Richard May to form a fire suppression crew. The men will be under direction of Karl Jaeger, forest guard.

Vista Grande, located 15 miles south of Banning on the old Banning-Idyllwild road, is a fire suppression station equipped with a pumper truck for protection of that area of the San Jacinto mountains.

Mrs. Janet Manwaring and son, Roger, are employed at the Belmont, Cape Cod, Massachusetts. Mrs. Manwaring, recent hostess at the Desert Inn, will not return to the desert for next season.

SENATOR JOHN PHILLIPS TO ADDRESS HEMET AUDIENCE

Pictures taken in Russia and Germany by State Senator John Phillips of Banning during his European tour will be given their first public showing in Hemet at the meeting of Hemet Townsend Club No. 1 to be held Friday evening, July 8. Senator Phillips will give an address, illustrating his talk with the pictures.

LAST RITES HELD FOR THE LATE WILLIAM HIPP

Graveside services were held at Palm Springs Saturday morning for the late William Hipp, former resident of Palm Springs, who passed away at Highland on June 21. He was born July 17, 1857, in Mississippi.

Mr. Hipp was the father of Mrs. Trout of Palm Springs.

City Council--

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of guests, and would require all guests in said lodging houses, rooming houses and hotels to register.

Refuse License Fee Change

Concerning the matter of Walter C. Blue and his request that the fee of \$300 set by the council for detective agencies be lowered, the council decided that the \$300 annual fee provided for in the ordinance should be left as is, and no change was made in the business license ordinance. This action was in accord with the recommendation made by the general committee headed by John W. Williams.

Liquor License Application

Alex Nord has applied to the State Board of Equalization for an "on sale beer and wine" and an "on sale distilled spirits" license for the El

Morocco Hotel. The city council voted to instruct the city clerk to inform the State Board of Equalization that the city of Palm Springs has no objection to the issuance of such licenses.

Accept Rights-of-Way Deed

The council accepted rights-of-way deeds from Orville C. Richardson for the west 40 feet of lot, block 13, and from Deep Well Properties Corporation for 40 feet along the north side of the state highway where their property fronts on said highway.

The city is working to open up Sunrise Way along the west line of section 13. This will facilitate students living in the north part of town getting to school. The city council has in hand deeds from the Palm Springs Field Club and from Austin G. McManus for a portion of this street, and the deed from Orville C. Richardson was for a right-of-way for Sunrise Way.

"SLIM" SCHLICHTE LEAVES FOR MEXICO CITY

Lewis J. "Slim" Schlichte, local line-man for the Nevada-California Electric Corporation, left today for Mexico City.

Schlichte is driving a new Chevrolet on the trip. He expects to be away from Palm Springs for a month.

COUNTY RECORDER ROSS REELECTED PLANNING HEAD

Jack A. Ross, county recorder, Tuesday was reelected chairman of Riverside county planning commission as members met in the board of supervisors' office in the courthouse. C. B. Cravens, assistant county road superintendent, was renamed secretary.

Ross reappointed the committee heads of the past year as follows: Raymond Cree, Palm Springs, subdivisions; C. J. Loomie, Hemet, roads;

GEORGE KREIMERS LEAVE ON VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. George Kreimer left Palm Springs today for Reno, Nevada, where they will spend two weeks vacationing.

Mr. Kreimer is a local contractor and Mrs. Kreimer is assistant cashier at the local office of the Nevada-California Electric Corporation.

Word was received on Monday, written on June 22 that Clarence Oswald and Theodore McKinney were in Washington, D. C., and on their way home. They will be home the end of this week.

C. C. Coffey, West Riverside, water, and A. C. Fulmor, Riverside, parks and recreation, Ross, a member of the commission since its formation in 1930 was executive secretary until last year when he became chairman.



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PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Curry's Idyllwild

Saturday . . . July 2

7:30 A. M.—BREAKFAST RIDE.
Starts from Idyllwild Stables. Over
at 10:00 a. m.

7:30 P. M.—CAMPFIRE.
At Curry's Idyllwild. Indian and
cowboy entertainers.

9:00 P. M.—DANCE.

Featuring Lee Miller and his 7-piece
band. Cedar room of Curry's Idyll-
wild.

Sunday . . . July 3

9:00 A. M.—FLAG TOURNAMENT,
OPEN.

Idyllwild Golf Course. All day af-
fair. Prizes.

2:00 P. M.—AMATEUR SWIMMING
MEET.

Idyllwild Plunge. Prizes.

3:00 P. M.—HIGH-SCORE TARGET
SHOOT.

Sportsman's Headquarters Rifle
Range, next to swimming pool.
Prizes for high scores.

8:00 P. M.—4TH OF JULY CAMP-
FIRE.

Curry's Idyllwild.

Monday . . . July 4

7:30 A. M.—BREAKFAST RIDE.
Starts from Idyllwild Stables. Over
at 10 a. m.

9:00 A. M.—"BLIND BOGEY" GOLF
TOURNAMENT.

Idyllwild Golf Course. All day af-
fair. Prizes.

1:00 P. M.—IDYLLWILD GYM-
KHANA.

Parade starts sharply at 1:00 p. m.
Grand Entry at 1:30 p. m. All aft-
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Late Filings In County Mean Contests

Competition for the office of county tax collector became a three-cornered affair Friday when Charles B. Jones, Coachella merchant, filed his candidacy, while Charles S. Dudgeon, Riverside building contractor, filed notice of his candidacy for county clerk.

Fifty years in this state, Jones stated that he is a trustee of the Coachella Valley Public Cemetery district. He served as justice of the peace of Coachella township for 16 years beginning in 1910, and had been a trustee of the Coachella Valley Water district. Also competing against Charles R. Stibbens, for many years incumbent, will be Beecher W. Scott of Riverside.

An unexpected announcement was that of Dudgeon for county clerk. Dudgeon, resident of Riverside city, has been in that city 15 years. Dudley G. Clayton, county clerk continuously for 20 years, is not seeking reelection. Dudgeon will oppose Gordon A. Pequegnat of Riverside, chief deputy clerk in Clayton's office.

ATLAS COMPANY IS LOW BIDDER FOR LAST CANAL JOB

Low bid for final work on the all-American canal project, structures in the Calexico division, was submitted by the Atlas Construction company, Pasadena firm, when bids on two schedules of work were opened at Yuma offices of the reclamation bureau.

The job includes the Alamo river crossing in one schedule, with the Central Main canal check and turnout and the New Briar canal crossings in a second schedule. Combined figure for the two was \$269,982.10.

The Alamo river crossing, on the border east of Calexico, will cost \$168,009.50 while the other structures will total \$101,882.60.

All other work on the \$27,000,000 canal project has been completed or is under contract, according to Division Engineer J. H. Fertig at Calexico headquarters of the reclamation bureau.

Second low bid was offered by Alexander and Repass, Des Moines, Iowa. The bid was nearly \$30,000 higher than that submitted by Atlas.

The Atlas company recently received the contract for construction of checks and turnouts along a lengthy stretch of the canal east of Calexico.

The bids opened at Yuma will be sent to Denver for checking and announcement of award of contract will be made from Washington.

FRIED CHICKEN SEASON

There's good news for the man who regards with affection a piece of really choice fried chicken. After years during which chicken raisers steadily decreased their numbers of poultry, due to lack of feed, drought, low prices and other factors, they have suddenly started restocking again.

But here is the really prime piece of information: The poultrymen say the reports are all buying the heavier breeds of chicken. Fowls with nice, plump drumsticks and plenty of meat on the wishbones will be the type on the spring chicken market this year.

And when a man takes her frying pan in hand and chunks of delectable meat begin to sizzle, he can tuck her napkin under his chin and secure in the knowledge that he has something in which he can really sink his teeth, tell the world to stand back and give him room according to his strength. —Kansas City Star.

Mrs. Robert E. McGonagle visited in Los Angeles this week. She will be manager of Bullock's Palm Springs store next season.

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A deposit of \$10.00 required in advance.
All boats are government and state inspected and Diesel powered with the exception of the troller.

PER CAPITA BOND DEBT NOW \$84.86 IN RIVERSIDE COUNTY

Bonded indebtedness of Riverside county's governmental units is \$84.86 for each man, woman and child in the county, according to figures made public by the California Taxpayers' association.

Total bonded indebtedness of the county and political subdivisions within it on June 30, 1937, the latest available figures, amounted to \$9,107,387. This included a county debt of \$710,000, school district bonds of \$2,590,000, \$1,497,285 for special districts and \$1,310,102 for cities within the county.

This bonded indebtedness does not include the county's share of the bonded debt of the state or federal governments. The state's debt on Feb. 1, 1938, was \$188,526,000. The federal debt is estimated at \$38,000,000,000. In addition the indebtedness of many irrigation, reclamation, water, and similar districts is not reported to the state controller, and these debts are not included uniformly in the total or per capita figures presented by the tax association.

Only one California county, Mono, reported no bonded indebtedness outstanding. Four counties, Colusa, Los Angeles, Sacramento and San Diego, reported total indebtedness of more than \$100 per capita. Five reported indebtedness amounting to less than \$10 per capita; Alpine, Amador, Plumas, Sierra and Trinity. Thirty-one of the 58 California counties showed a total bonded indebtedness outstanding of more than \$1,000,000, six showing total indebtedness of more than \$10,000,000 in each.

RAILROADS OF EARLY DAYS—AND SPEED:

Early in the last century Oliver Evans, the inventor, drew up a prospectus for a railroad between Washington and New York.

It would, he said, be possible to leave the national capital at daybreak in the summer, reach Baltimore in time for breakfast, eat dinner in Philadelphia, and get to New York in time to be in bed before midnight.

Some people denounced him as a swindler. Others ridiculed him as a lunatic. Nobody was taken in by the preposterous scheme.

Oliver Evans was just as well satisfied. There were doubts in his own mind as to the feasibility of his plan. He was not at all confident that the human system could endure such a speed of 30 miles an hour. He believed that he could get his passengers to New York on time—but they might all be dead.

It is relatively a clock tick in history between the inventor's wild fantasy and recently when a man in a motor car—Captain George Eyston of England at the Bonneville salt flats in Utah—traveled a mile at a speed of 317.74 miles an hour. Perhaps that is somewhere near the limit on land. In the air, of course, going from Washington to New York in a couple of hours is a routine affair.

M. FRENCH GILMAN REINSTATED IN CIVIL SERVICE

M. French Gilman, who was under civil service for years, and who later was not so classified, has been reinstated and has the title of "desert nurseryman," a new classification.

Mrs. Gilman will remain in Death Valley for an indefinite time. He has been in the government service there for the past four years.

LIBRARY HOURS

Miss Dorothy Bear, librarian at the Palm Springs Public Library, has announced the following library hours for the summer months:

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Thursdays 6:00 to 9:00 p. m.

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Warrant Out For Burke, Former Whitewater P. M.

Posters in postoffice lobbies announce a reward of \$200 for the apprehension of P. D. Burke, formerly postmaster at Whitewater.

Burke disappeared in April and has not been located. Federal authorities claim a shortage amounting to practically \$2,700 was registered against Burke at the time of his disappearance.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, BOSTON, MASS., JUNE 6, 1938

Boston, Mass.—A warning to nations "whose governments have been conceived largely in selfish ambition and brought forth by human force" was issued at Boston at the annual meeting of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, The Mother Church, by The Christian Science Board of Directors who declared the lessons of history show such governing bodies to be "of few days and full of trouble."

Reports disclosed continued growth of the Christian Science movement, increasingly higher standards for authorized periodicals, and a larger number of requests from groups of non-Scientists for representative Christian Scientists to address them.

Election of Ralph Hastings Knapp, C. S., of Needham, Mass., as president of The Mother Church was announced. He succeeds Judge Clifford P. Smith of Newton, Massachusetts. Edward L. Ripley of Brookline and Ezra W. Palmer of Marshfield were re-elected treasurer and clerk of the church respectively. The president is elected by The Christian Science board of directors to serve for one year. His duty is to be presiding officer at the annual meeting.

Mr. Knapp is a son of Ira O. Knapp and Flavia S. Knapp, two of the 12 called upon by Mrs. Eddy to reorganize the Christian Science Church in September, 1892. When a young boy, Mr. Knapp and his mother were healed in Christian Science and through this healing the entire family became interested. He has served First Church of Christ, Scientist, Needham, Mass., as reader, director and president. He is on the teaching staff faculty of Mechanic Arts (Technical) High School in Boston.

The expression "between the devil and the deep blue sea," originated in 1637 and described the plight of a Scottish regiment trapped between the ocean and Swedish artillery fire.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCHES

The words of the Psalmist, "We will rejoice in thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners," are the Golden Text in the Lesson-Sermon on "God" on Sunday in all Churches of Christ, Scientist.

A Scriptural selection in the Lesson-Sermon includes these verses from Matthew: "Then was Jesus led up of the spirit of the devil... Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve. Then the devil came and ministered unto him."

One of the passages from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, states: "We lose the high significance of omnipotence, when after admitting that God, or good, is omnipresent and has all-power, we still believe there is another power, named evil. This belief that there is more than one mind is as pernicious to divine theology as are ancient mythology and pagan idolatry."

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"Three Blind Mice," the new Darryl F. Zanuck romantic hit from the 20th Century-Fox studios, comes to the Banning Theatre on Sunday as a distinct innovation in motion picture production.

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"Three Blind Mice" also adds a brilliant cast which includes David Niven, Stuart Erwin, Marjorie Weaver, Pauline Moore, Binnie Barnes and Jane Darwell.

"The Rage of Paris" with Danielle Darrieux, Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., Mischa Auer, Helen Broderick and Louis Hayward, completes the program.

TWO KILLED IN WRECK ON MOUNTAIN HIGHWAY

Theodore William Rich, 35, of Herkey Creek, and Joseph L. Stearns, 39, of Palm Springs, met death as result of an automobile accident which occurred on the Pines-to-Palms highway at 5:30 p. m., Friday, it was established by Coroner Ben F. White.

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S. P. APPOINTS NEW PASSENGER TRAFFIC ASS'T.

Appointment of Claude E. Peterson as assistant to F. S. McGinnis, vice president in charge of system passenger traffic for Southern Pacific Company, was announced today. The appointment becomes effective July 1.

Peterson's service with the railroad started in 1917. He has held various positions in the passenger department. Since April, 1937, he has been on leave of absence to serve as assistant to the chairman of the Transcontinental Passenger Association in Chicago, from which post he returns to San Francisco in his new position.

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and D. Darrieux in "Rage of Paris"

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